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Applicants: Irwin J. Singer et al. Docket No.: 17037A  
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For: Protective Nonwoven Web for Sensitive Surfaces

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**Petition for One-Month Extension of Time**

Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

An Office Action which, on its face, granted a three (3) month period of time in which to respond thereto was mailed on December 05, 2003, with respect to the above-identified presently pending application. Accordingly, the shortened statutory period for response was set to end on March 05, 2004.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants hereby request a one (1) month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. Thus, the period of response is to be extended until April 5, 2004.

Please charge the \$110.00 fee for this extension of time designated by 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1) to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875. This extension request is submitted in duplicate.

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Respectfully submitted,

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